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[1](#)1. (C) Embassy on 21 May 2001, received a note dated 23 April 2007, addressed to Secretary Rice from Foreign Minister Adrian Cioroianu seeking U.S. support for Romania's candidate to be the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities Liviu Bota. We note that Romania first raised Bota's candidacy with us last November (reported in ref a), and that the Department has instructed USOSCE to register USG support for Poland's candidate.

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BUCHAREST, 23 April 2007

Your Excellency,
Dear colleague,

I avail myself of this opportunity to bring forth a topic of utmost importance for both the Romanian Government and its foreign policy. I refer here to the candidature of Ambassador Liviu Bota, currently Permanent Representative of Romania to Vienna, for the position of the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities.

The Romanian Government and I, personally, attach a great significance to a successful outcome of the Romanian bid for occupying this prestigious position within our organization.

Romania is fully committed to the values and principles of the OSCE and has substantially contributed to furthering its goals, as demonstrated during the time my country held the Chairmanship-in-Office, in 2001.

In the spirit of our good traditional bilateral relations, I have the pleasure to kindly ask for your Government's support for the Romanian candidature. Ambassador Liviu Bota has distinguished himself through the years in the service of multilateral organizations, such as the United Nations and the OSCE, as well as in the Romanian diplomatic service.

I am confident that Ambassador Liviu Bota, through his outstanding expertise, fully meets the expectations associated with this demanding high-level position in the OSCE. I would therefore highly appreciate your support in this regard.

Last but not least, let me assure you that I would be very happy to greet you in Bucharest, at the beginning of June, on the occasion of the OSCE High Level Conference on Combating Discrimination.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours, (handwritten)

/s/

Adrian Cioroianu,
Minister of Foreign Affairs

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